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Examiner: TON, Dang T.

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Group Art Unit: 2666

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONFIGURING ADAPTIVE SETS OF LINKS BETWEEN ROUTERS IN A SYSTEM AREA NETWORK (SAN)

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TOTAL CLAIMS	7	MINUS	20	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	3	MINUS	3	= 0	X \$86	\$ 0
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
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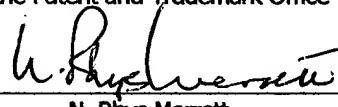


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For: System and method for configuring  
adaptive sets of links between routers in  
a system area network (SAN).

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 07, 2004, please amend the application  
as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page of  
this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page of this paper and include 6 attached  
replacement sheets.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page of this paper.